

Community Safety Policy Statement

(Integrated Risk Management Planning)

Policy objectives

We will:

1. Comply with key legislation relevant to community safety, notably:
 - a. Fire and Rescue Service Act 2004
 - b. The requirements within the Fire and Rescue National Framework for England
 - c. The Regulatory Reform (Fire Safety) Order 2005
 - d. Civil Contingencies Act 2004
 - e. Police and Crime Act 2017
 - f. Any other function conferred on us by order from the Secretary of State
2. Undertake an annual Strategic Assessment which will consider:
 - a. national, community and local risks, in conjunction with the Local Resilience Forums (LRFs)
 - b. changes in our operating environment
 - c. opportunities for improvement and vision for the future
3. Collaborate with key partners wherever this delivers public value
4. Use a comprehensive risk analysis methodology to identify and assess the full range of foreseeable risks to our communities
5. Collaborate with local, regional and national partners to share intelligence and data to improve our risk modelling and the targeting of our resources against foreseeable risks
6. Ensure that we maximise our resources, aligning them to risk and integrating our Prevention, Protection, Response and Resilience activities
7. Embed our approach to risk within our planning, performance and risk management arrangements at the strategic, tactical and operational levels
8. Consult with the public and key stakeholders on proposals for change arising from our Strategic Assessment as outlined in our Community Safety Plan
9. Ensure effective governance arrangements are in place as set out in our Corporate Governance policy that ensures transparency and accountability in all our decision making
10. Maintain a suitable and sufficient workforce in line with our People Policy
11. Ensure the alignment of our communities' programme with our workforce planning arrangements and medium-term finance plan.

Compliance and assurance

The Authority delegates these policy objectives to the Chief Fire Officer who will ensure that adequate procedures are in place and are appropriately resourced. The Director for Community Safety will monitor and assure this policy through reviewing performance against a robust performance framework.

They will also conduct a review of the effectiveness of this policy as part of our annual Statement of Assurance required under the National Framework for Fire and Rescue Services which will be approved by the Finance and Governance Committee. We will also assure through reports received and judgements made by Her Majesty's Inspectorate of Constabulary and Fire and Rescue Services (HMICFRS).

Performance and risk reduction will also be monitored at a local level through four Local Performance and Scrutiny (LPSs) Committees which are quarterly public meetings.

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